

**IDAHO BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS**  
**Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses**  
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**Board Meeting Minutes of 2/25/2021**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Helen A Napier, Ph.D. - Chair  
Aaron Harris, Ph.D.  
Denton C Darrington  
Linda Hatzenbuehler, Ph.D.  
Theresa L Ross, Ph.D.

**DIVISION STAFF:** Dawn Hall, Section Chief  
Nicki Chopski, Section Chief  
Julie Eavenson, Licensing Group Manager  
Nicholas Crema, General Counsel  
Tim Frost, Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Manager  
Debbie Toncray, Board Specialist

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Lance Giles, Ellis Consulting

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM MST by Helen A Napier, PhD.

**LAWS AND RULES**

Mr. Crema discussed the temporary rules reauthorization with the Board. Dr. Hatzenbuehler made the following motion: Pursuant to Section 67-5226, Idaho Code, the Governor has found that temporary adoption of rule 24.12.01 is appropriate to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Idaho and confer a benefit on its citizens. These rules implement the duly enacted laws of the state of Idaho, provide citizens with the detailed rules and standards for complying with those laws, and assist in the orderly execution and enforcement of those laws. The expiration of these rules without due consideration and processes would undermine the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Idaho and deprive them of the benefit intended by these rules. The Governor has also found that the fees being imposed are justified and necessary to avoid immediate danger to the Board's budget, to the state budget, to necessary state functions and services, and to avoid immediate danger of a potential violation of Idaho's constitutional requirement that it balance its budget. Therefore, we are adopting this/these temporary fee rule(s) to be effective upon *sine die* of the 2021 session of the Idaho Legislature. The approval is conditional and will only become effective if the rules are not otherwise approved or rejected by the Legislature and/or not extended pursuant to the Idaho Administrative Procedure Act, including sections 67-5291 and 67-5292, Idaho Code." It was seconded by Dr. Ross. Motion carried

**DIVISION BUSINESS**

The Board reviewed the telehealth FAQ. Dr. Ross made a motion to put the FAQ that was approved in the February 5, 2021 meeting on hold. It was seconded by Dr. Hatzenbuehler. Motion carried.

Mr. Crema discussed the Governor's proclamation regarding telehealth restrictions which were lifted during the COVID pandemic. He said that the FAQ was in line with the Governor's proclamation, and that a person would not need an Idaho license but must be in good standing and credentialed in another state. Mr. Crema said that a person could apply for a temporary license if they were moving here to practice for a limited time, but a person practicing via telehealth is not required to provide information to the Board when doing so.

Dr. Hatzenbuehler said the Board would need to include language stating that a person's licensure must be comparable to Idaho's licensure requirements in the FAQ at a future date.

Dr. Harris made a motion to have staff draft the proposed FAQ language and send it to Dr. Hatzenbuehler for review and approval to post. It was seconded by Dr. Ross. Motion carried.

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

### **WEEKLY SUPERVISORY NOTES FOR SERVICE EXTENDER FORM FOR REVIEW**

The Board reviewed the revisions to the proposed form which was reviewed in the last Board meeting. Dr. Hatzenbuehler made a motion to approve the revisions and post the form. It was seconded by Senator Darrington. Motion carried.

### **BOARD PRESENTATION AT 2021 IDAHO PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION (IPA) CONVENTION**

The Board discussed the presentation to be made at the 2021 IPA Convention, which will be held virtually. The Board agreed that the chair and Dr. Hatzenbuehler would attend and provide the presentation regarding telehealth and other topics.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Ross made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 AM MST. It was seconded by Dr. Hatzenbuehler. Motion carried.

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Helen A Napier, Ph.D., Chair